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SUBJECT: PERUVIAN AMB. BUSTAMANTE'S SPEECH AT OPANAL CONFERENCE.

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1. AT APRIL 18, 1975, PLENARY SESSION OF OPANAL CONFERENCE, PERUVIAN AMB. FELIPE DE BUSTAMANTE MADE A BRIEF SPEECH IN WHICH HE NOTED THE IMPORTANCE OF THE STEPS TAKEN LAST DECEMBER AT THE LIMA (AYACUCHO) CONFERENCE, ON THE INITIATIVE OF PRESIDENT JUAN VELASCO, TO REDUCE ARMS SPENDING IN SEVERAL SOUTH AMERICAN NATIONS, THEREBY MAKING THE RESOURCES SAVED AVAILABLE FOR MORE URGENTLY NEEDED SOCIAL AND ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT PROGRAMS. HE WENT ON TO SUGGEST THAT A PERMANENT PEACE BODY SHOULD BE CREATED TO PROMOTE ARMS LIMITATION ARRANGEMENTS THROUGHOUT LATIN AMERICA.

2. COMMENT: SINCE BUSTAMANTE'S SPEECH WAS NOT ACCOMPANIED BY A DRAFT RESOLUTION OR A CONFERENCE VOTE, IT CLEARLY WAS CONSIDERED AN EXHORTATORY STATEMENT, RATHER THAN A CONCRETE PROPOSAL, BY THE CONFERENCE. MOREOVER, THE LIMITATION OF NON-NUCLEAR ARMS IS CLEARLY BEYOND THE GAMBIT OF OPANAL'S JURISDICTION.

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3. IT SHOULD ALSO BE NOTED THAT THE PERUVIAN AMBASSADOR'S FIVE-TO-TEN MINUTE SPEECH, WHICH DID NOT ELICIT EVEN ONE SUPPORTING STATEMENT FROM OTHER DELEGATIONS, ATTRACTED VERY LITTLE ATTENTION. JOVA

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